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#### **Upcoming Conferences**

# ΙςΙΜCο

16th International Meiofauna Conference (IçIMCo) First Announcement

3-8 July 2016 Hotel Aquila Atlantis, Heraklion, Crete, Greece

In the middle of the largest humanitarian crisis in Greece after the 2nd world war, of enforced capital controls, closed banks, and my country voting an overwhelming referendum 'No' to a never-ending austerity, my fellow citizens try to keep calm, break the impasse and restore at least some normality in everyday life.

Under these pressing but critical circumstances, the HCMR meiofaunal team thought to keepchin up and announce that IçIMCo, the 16th

International Meiofauna Conference, will take place next year in Heraklion, Crete, Greece! Starting, as always, with a welcome reception on Sunday the 3<sup>rd</sup>, the conference will end on Friday the 8th of July 2016 with the General Assembly of our Association.

The scientific programme will include sessions consisting of oral and poster presentations, invited talks and keynote speakers. Besides the Welcome and Icebreaker, planned social events will further include a Cocktail Poster Session, a Field Trip to some historical and cultural sites, the Conference Banquet, and of course our most expected and traditional Ruffle and Limerick contest.

Scientifically, the conference will cover topical issues at the frontier of contemporary marine ecology and will explore outstanding open questions. Topics will include:

- Specific habitats such as the deep sea and seeping environments
- Experimental ecology
- Genetics

- Relation of meiobenthos to ecosystem health, processes and services
- ... and many more

The conference will be held at Hotel Aquila Atlantis, which is located in the heart of Heraklion city, where the ancient Minoan civilization, one of the first civilizations in Europe, flourished . The name of the conference (IçIMCo) was inspired by the ancient Greek numerical system, where the letter I represents the number ten (10) and the letter stigma ( $\varsigma$ ), which is a ligature of the Greek letters sigma ( $\Sigma$ ) and tau (T), represents the number six (6).

More detailed information, including the conference website, details about registration and the venue, as well as the exact conference topics will be provided in a first circular later this summer.

We look forward to seeing you at IçIMCo!

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ICMBE 2016: 18th International Conference on Marine Biology and Ecology

Dubai, UAE, Jan 28 -29, 2016

Important Dates
Paper submission
Notification of acceptance
Final paper submission and authors' registration
Conference Dates
July 28, 2015
Aug 28, 2015
Sep 28, 2015
Jan 28 - 29, 2016

Objectives: 18th International Conference on Marine Biology and Ecology aims to bring together leading academic scientists, researchers and research scholars to exchange and share their experiences and research results about all aspects of Marine Biology and Ecology. It also provides the premier interdisciplinary forum for researchers, practitioners and educators to present and discuss the most recent innovations, trends, and concerns, practical challenges encountered and the solutions adopted in the field of Marine Biology and Ecology.

All honorable authors are kindly encouraged to contribute to and help shape the conference through submissions of their research abstracts, papers and e-posters. Also, high quality research contributions describing original and unpublished results of conceptual, constructive, empirical, experimental, or theoretical work in all areas of Marine Biology and Ecology are cordially invited for presentation at the conference conference. The solicits contributions of abstracts, papers and e-posters that address themes and topics of the conference, including figures, tables and references of novel research material.

#### **Topics:**

- Biological Marine Sciences
- Climate Change and Global Warming
- Coastal & Marine Resources and the Environment
- Environmental and Marine Resources Management
- Fish Resources and Engineering
- Fish, Wildlife and Marine Resources
- Geological, Environmental, and Marine Sciences
- Geological Sciences and Marine Geology
- Living Marine Resources
- Marine and Atmospheric Sciences
- Marine Biology and Biotechnology
- Marine and Coastal Resources Management
- Marine and Electrical Engineering
- Marine Environments and Resources
- Marine Hydrodynamics
- Marine Law and the Regional and International Problems and Difficulties
- Marine Resource Development and

Protection

• Marine Resources, Industry & Environment

https://www.waset.org/conference/2016/01/dubai/IC MBE



## ICENS 2016: 18th International Conference on Engineering and Natural Sciences

#### Istanbul, Turkey, Jan 25 – 26, 2016

**Important Dates** 

Paper submission July 25, 2015
Notification of acceptance Aug 25, 2015
Final paper submission and

authors' registration Sep 25, 2015 Conference Dates Jan 25 - 26, 2016

**Objectives:** 18th International Conference on Engineering and Natural Sciences is the premier interdisciplinary forum for the presentation of new advances and research results in the fields of Engineering and Natural Sciences. The conference will bring together leading academic scientists, researchers and scholars in the domain of interest from around the world.

**Topics:** Topics of interest for submission include, but are not limited to:

- Biology
- Genetics
- Physiology
- Zoology
- Paleoecology

https://www.waset.org/conference/2016/01/istanbul/ICENS

ICEEE 2016 : 18th International Conference on Environmental and Ecological Engineering



ICEEE 2016: 18th International Conference on Environmental and Ecological Engineering

#### **Paris, France, Jan 21 – 22, 2016**

**Important Dates** 

Paper submission July 25, 2015 Notification of acceptance Aug 25, 2015

Final paper submission and

authors' registration Sep 25, 2015 Conference Dates Jan 25-26, 2016

Objectives: 18th International Conference on Environmental and Ecological Engineering aims to bring together leading academic scientists, researchers and research scholars to exchange and share their experiences and research results about all aspects Environmental and Ecological Engineering. It also provides the premier interdisciplinary forum for researchers, practitioners and educators to present and discuss the most recent innovations, trends, and concerns, practical challenges encountered and the solutions adopted in the field of Environmental and **Ecological** Engineering.

**Topics:** Topics of interest for submission include, but are not limited to:

- Aquaculture
- Conservation
- Ecosystems and Ecology

https://www.waset.org/conference/2016/01/paris/ICEEE

ICMB 2016: 18th International Conference on Marine Biodiversity



## ICMB 2016: 18th International Conference on Marine Biodiversity

#### Melbourne, Australia, Feb 4 - 5, 2016

Aug 4, 2015
Sep 4, 2015
Oct 4, 2015
Feb 4-5, 2016

Objectives: The ICMB 2016, 18th International Conference on Marine Biodiversity aims to bring together leading academic scientists, researchers and research scholars to exchange and share their experiences and research results about all aspects of Marine Biodiversity. It also provides the premier interdisciplinary forum for researchers, practitioners and educators to present and discuss the most recent innovations, trends, and concerns, practical challenges encountered and the solutions adopted in the field of Marine Biodiversity.

All honorable authors are kindly encouraged to contribute to and help shape the conference through submissions of their research abstracts, papers and e-posters. Also, high quality research contributions describing original and unpublished results of conceptual, constructive, empirical, experimental, or theoretical work in all areas of Marine Biodiversity are cordially invited for presentation at the conference. The conference solicits contributions of abstracts, papers and e-posters that address themes and topics of the conference, including figures, tables and references of novel research material.

#### **Topics:**

- Marine Biodiversity
- Taxonomy
- Biodiversity
- Changes in Biodiversity with Time
- Marine Technology: Platforms and Sensors for the 21st Century
- Blue Biotechnology
- Ecosystem Services
- Climate Change
- Marine Extremes
- Bioinformatics and Data Delivery
- Advances in Statistics in Relation to Marine Biodiversity Science
- Marine Policy and Law
- Marine Biodiversity and Human Health
- Integrative Frameworks of Linking Physical Dynamics and Biodiversity
- Biodiversity Ecosystem Function
- Linking Biodiversity Ecosystem Function and Services
- Biodiversity, Education and Outreach
- Environmental Physiology
- Human Impacts of Biodiversity

https://www.waset.org/conference/2016/02/melbourne/ICMB

ICBESE 2016 : 18th International Conference on Biodiversity, Energy Systems and Environment



ICBESE 2016: 18th International Conference on Biodiversity, Energy Systems and Environment

#### Miami, USA, March 1 -2, 2016

Important Dates
Paper submission
Notification of acceptance
Sep 1, 2015
Oct 1, 2015

Final paper submission and authors' registration Nov 4, 2015
Conference Dates Mar 1-2, 2016

Objectives: The ICBESE 2016. 18th International Conference on Biodiversity, Energy Systems and Environment aims to bring together leading academic scientists, researchers and research scholars to exchange and share their experiences and research results about all aspects of Biodiversity, Energy Systems and Environment. It also provides the premier interdisciplinary forum for researchers, practitioners and educators to present and discuss the most recent innovations, trends, and concerns, practical challenges encountered and the solutions adopted in the field of Biodiversity, Energy Systems and Environment.

All honourable authors are kindly encouraged to contribute to and help shape the conference through submissions of their research abstracts, papers and e-posters. Also, high quality research contributions describing original unpublished results of conceptual, constructive, empirical, experimental, or theoretical work in all areas of Biodiversity, Energy Systems and Environment are cordially invited for presentation at the conference. The conference solicits contributions of abstracts, papers and eposters that address themes and topics of the conference, including figures, tables and references of novel research material.

#### **Topics:**

- Biodiversity, Energy Systems and Environment
- Biodiversity and Sustainable Energy Development
- Biodiversity, Energy Systems and **Environmental Sustainability**
- Ecosystem and Ecography
- Linking Hydrology and Biodiversity
- Biofertilizers and Biopesticides
- Management of environment and water resources
- Environmental Hazards and Natural Disasters Management
- Sustainable Energies their and Development
- Current Issues and Measures

- Waste water treatment and reclamation
- Biodiversity and Its Allied Areas

https://www.waset.org/conference/2016/03/mia mi/ICBESE

#### 6th Symposium on Mesozoic and Cenozoic

6TH SYMPOSIUM ON MESOZOIC AND CENOZOIC DECAPOD CRUSTACEANS

VILLERS-SUR-MER, NORMANDY, FRANCE

14-18 JUNE 2016



Glyphea regleyana (Desmarest, 1822)









#### **Decapod Crustaceans**

#### Villers-sur-Mer, Normandy, France, 14 – 18 **June 2016**

Important Dates

Please return the Registration form before the 1st September 2015.

The second circular is scheduled for October, 2015.

The registration of payment deadline is February 1st, 2016.

The abstracts must be sent before 1st March 2016.

Manuscripts must be submitted until 25th June 2016

Objectives: The symposium will be held at the Paleospace-l'Odyssee, Museum of Palaeontology and the cinema, both located in the centre of Villers-Sur-Mer. Poster and oral presentations will be followed by field trips to the Callovian-Oxfordian cliffs of the "Vaches Noirs", Bajocian stratotype and Bathonian Confessionnaux cliffs, parts of the Normandy landings locations, a trip to the Cenomanian hard-grounds of Petreval and the Etretat cliffs which attracted Courbet and Monet. English and French will be the official languages of the conference. Talks will be 30 minutes long including discussion. The area is popular with tourists, so accommodation should be booked early.

http://geosoc.fr/manifestation/agenda-desreunions-colloques-sgf/event/218-6thsymposium-on-mesozoic-and-cenozoicdecapod-crustaceans.html



#### Species on the move

#### Hobart, Tasmania, Australia, 10 -12 Feb 2016

For registration and abstract submission deadlines, please contact the organizing committee.

Objective: Our move into the

'anthropocene' allows unprecedented opportunity to understand the mechanisms that drive species distributions across ecosystems and address the fundamental tenet of ecology: what lives where and why? However, such dramatic changes also pose significant challenges for sustainable management of our natural resources

They see this conference targeting scientists and natural resource managers working in the disciplines of global change, biogeography and evolution, and relevant in contexts of natural resource management, biodiversity management and conservation, and theoretical ecology.

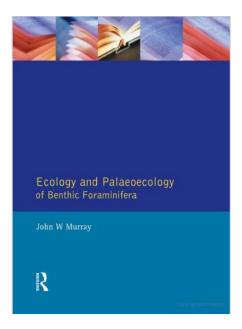
#### **Topics:**

- Implications of species range change for health, food security and ecosystems services.
- Detection, attribution and facilitation of range change.
- Changing distribution and conservation paradigms.
- Biological adaptation at the species level
   physiology & genetics.
- Cultural, social and economic dimensions of range shifts and changing ecosystems.
- Governance, legal and ethical issues for managing shifting species and changing ecosystems
- Modelling Change from Mole cules to Ecosystems: Underst anding and representing multiscale mechanisms that link climate, humans and living resources.

http://www.speciesonthemove.com/index.ht ml

#### Books at a glance

### Ecology and Palaeocology of Benthic Foraminifera



This book is an important and reliable review of foraminiferal ecology. Professor Murray relates ecological data on living forms of foraminifera to the palaeoecology of the fossil species, and defines in detail areas of global distribution.

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